

Application No. 10/666,205

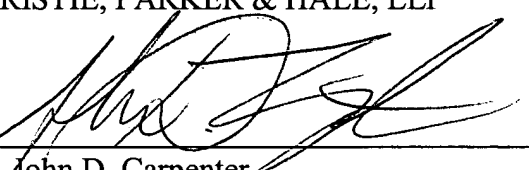
application. The fact that he was not so identified leads the undersigned to surmise that he must have played only a non-inventive role in the research described in the reference. In that case, the rejection of claims 45 and 49 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(a) should be withdrawn, as the reference does not describe the work of "another". Rather, it apparently describes the inventors' -- and only the inventors' -- work. If necessary, Applicants will submit a declaration to that effect.

Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

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